

BENEFITS MANAGER (PROGRAM MANAGER II)

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Open: May 26, 2006

Human Resources Department

The recruitment will remain open until sufficient applications from qualified candidates are received.

THE JOB

The Benefits Manager develops and manages Clark County's benefits programs with an emphasis on insurance benefits (health, dental, life, LTD) and deferred compensation programs. Additional duties include managing FMLA and other programs such as new employee orientation, the Employee Assistance Program, and LEOFF Disability Program. Manages HRIS and ensures proper administration systems and procedures are in place. Provides counsel and advice to employees and managers regarding disability management and other related matters. Serves as a resource to the healthcare committee.

The Clark County HR department has a staff of 15 serving an employee population of approximately 1,700 in a dynamic environment. This position reports to the Human Resources Director, participates on the HR management team and manages a staff of 3 - 6. The department reports directly to the County Administrator and enjoys a high degree of autonomy and visibility.

QUALIFICATIONS

Requires a Bachelors degree from an accredited college or university with major coursework in human resources, business administration, public administration, or related field. Additional graduate-level coursework or degree is desirable. Minimum of four to six years of professional level experience working with employee benefit programs for a large organization and supervision of staff is required. All combinations of education, experience, and training that demonstrate the ability to perform the work will be considered.

Other key skills and attributes will include:

- Strong technical benefits knowledge combined with strong project management and benefits administration
- Experience designing, analyzing, implementing and managing employee benefit plans and providers
- Experience in a unionized and/or public sector environment is helpful
- Strong communication skills oral, written, and presentation
- Strong problem solving and collaboration skills
- Experience spanning multiple Human Resources disciplines and SPHR, CEBS, or CBP certification are desirable

SALARY

The salary range is \$4,990 – \$7,053 per month. Starting salary range is approximately \$5,505 – \$6,020 per month depending upon qualifications. This position participates in Clark County's management pay plan and all salary increases are performance based. Clark County offers its managers generous benefits including management vacation leave starting at 22 days per year, fully-paid medical and dental insurance, long-term disability insurance and life insurance. Employees participate in the Washington State Public Employees' Retirement Plan.

SELECTION PROCESS

- 1. <u>Application Review:</u> (Pass/Fail) All applicants must complete a Clark County application and submit it to the Human Resources department by 5:00 p.m. on the closing date. Incomplete applications will not pass the application review. Candidates deemed most qualified will be invited to participate in the remainder of the selection process.
- 2. <u>Letter of Interest and Resume:</u> (Pass/Fail) –In addition to the Clark County application, applicants must submit a letter of interest highlighting their qualifications for this position. Candidates deemed most qualified will be invited to participate in the remainder of the selection process. Resumes may also be included for review and consideration.
- 3. <u>Oral Interview Process:</u> The interview process will be job related and may include, but not be limited to, the qualifications outlined in the job announcement.
- 4. Employment References: May be conducted for the final candidates.

REQUEST AND/OR SUBMIT APPLICATION MATERIALS TO:

To apply, all application materials must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on the filing date listed on the front of the recruitment announcement. POSTMARKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED. A Clark County application is required unless otherwise noted and supplemental materials (i.e., answers to supplemental questions, cover letter, etc.) may be required and must be submitted with the application. <u>Please read application materials thoroughly to determine application requirements.</u>

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THE COUNTY

Clark County, Washington is a growing community with a population of approximately 392,400, including the City of Vancouver (population 152,900). Located minutes north of Portland, Oregon and with easy access to the Columbia Gorge, Cascade Mountains, and Washington and Oregon Coasts, the region offers abundant cultural and recreational opportunities. Clark County offers excellent livability and a relatively low cost of living. There is no state income tax.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Clark County is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to providing equal opportunity and access regardless of race, religion, creed, color, national origin, age, sex, disabled veteran status, veteran status, physical, mental or sensory disability, and sexual orientation. Women, minorities, veterans, and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Please notify Human Resources of the accommodation needed, preferably at the time of applying, but at least two days prior to the date needed.



For assistance with needed accommodations, please contact the Human Resources ADA/Section 504 Coordinator. (360) 397-2468; TTY (360) 397-2445.

NOTE: This announcement is intended as a general descriptive recruitment guide and is subject to change. It does not constitute either an expressed or implied contract.



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EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION

INSTRUCTIONS: TYPE OR LEGIBLY PRINT THIS APPLICATION USING DARK INK ONLY. APPLICATION SHOULD BE FILLED OUT IN ITS ENTIRETY. AN INCOMPLETE APPLICATION MAY DISQUALIFY YOU FROM FURTHER CONSIDERATION.

GENERAL INFORMATION										
POSITION APPLYING FOR			PC	POSTING#		Social Security # (Used for processing -Optional)				
Last Name			Fi	First Name			Middle Initial			
Address Cit				State Zip + Four						
Home Phone	one Work Phone			Cell Phone		Oth	Other ()			
Washington State labor laws restrict some employment from persons under 18 years old. Are you at least 18 years old? Yes [] No []				Are you legally eligible for employment in the United States? Yes [] No []						
Will you accept: []				Shifts you will accept: [] Day [] Evening [] Night [] Weekend						
Have you been convicted or released from prison within the last 10 years? Have you ever been convicted, pled guilty or no contest, or forfeited bond or bail for any crime other than traffic violations (do NOT list any conviction for which the date of conviction or prison release, whichever is more recent, is more than 10 years old)? Yes [] No [] If Yes, explain below. (A conviction record will not necessarily bar you from employment.)										
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Name of college, university, vocational school Majo		jor	Completed	Yes	/ No	Degree/Title	Hours			
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Indicate any other trades, skills or licenses you possess related to the position. Include licensing state and expiration date.										

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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY							
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I hereby certify, under the penalty of perjury in information given is true and complete to the best of misrepresentation or falsification, my application memployment.	the State of Washington, that this application contains no warmy knowledge and belief. I am aware that should an investigate be rejected, my name may be removed from consideration to be a contract of employment. Many County positions at	villful misrepresentation and that the gation at any time disclose any such on or I may be discharged from my					

Signature of Applicant Date

agreements, which specify terms of employment. Employment for all positions not covered under collective bargaining agreements is "at will."

This means that either party can terminate the employment relationship at any time, with or without cause or advance notice.

Signature is required at time of hire.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY QUESTIONNAIRE (OPTIONAL)

Clark County is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to providing equal opportunity and access regardless of race, religion, creed, color, national origin, age, sex, physical, mental or sensory disability, sexual orientation, disabled veteran or veteran status. For this purpose, we would appreciate you providing the information below. This is entirely voluntary and will remain CONFIDENTIAL. The information gathered herein will not be provided to supervisors, the appointing authority or other department employees. It will be used for monitoring and for federal reporting purposes only. We appreciate your assistance and cooperation in voluntarily providing this information and in assisting Clark County in ensuring equal employment opportunities for all applicants.

Position Applied For:	Posting No:					
GENDER: Male[] Female[]	AGE OVER 40: Yes []	No []				
ETHNIC GROUP: If you are mo [Ethnic group categories and defin			keeping purposes. Employment Opportunity Commission.]			
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VETERAN: Yes[] No[]						
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DISABLED VETERAN: Yes []						
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Please tell us how you heard abo	ut this position (select only	one source):				
Publications:						
[] The Columbian	[] The Oregonian	[] The Asian Reporter	[] El Latino de Hoy			
[] The Skanner-Portland	[] Seattle Times	[] Spokane Review	[] The Olympian			
Internet Sites:						
[] Columbian website	[] Oregonian website	[] Clark County Website	[] Seattle Times website			
[] El Latino de Hoy website	[] Other Internet/Websit	te:				
Other Sources:						
[] Clark County Bulletin Board	[] Acquaintance/County Employee					
[] Other:						